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## <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO:

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DATE:

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SUBJECT: Southwest Alaska Transportation Plan - Airport Improvement Analysis

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) has briefly reviewed the draft of the Airport Improvement Analysis for Southwest Alaska. The document forecasts the projected air passenger and air freight demand in the southwest region of the state though the year 2020. It also identifies required airport upgrades based on the anticipated type of aircraft likely to be used to provide the future air transportation services. Although we have no specific comments concerning the contents of this document, as a point of clarification we recommend a statement be included explaining why the air facilities at Adak, Egegik, Nikolski, Port Alsworth, and Port Moeller are not included in the analysis.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment and look forward to reviewing more detailed plans, as they become available. If you have any questions please contact me at 267-2333.

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